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AGENT REPORT

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FELLNER, Dr. Anton  
Suspected Intelligence Personality  
Upper Austria, Linz

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On 15 April 1953, the files of this Sub-Detachment were examined concerning SUBJECT, with results as indicated below:

Memo to Files, dated 2 October 1952, Subject: "Linz Iron and Steel Works - Miscellaneous Information", in which Dr. Anton FELLNER, identical with SUBJECT, is mentioned as the editor of a factory newspaper sponsored by the Socialist Party and who was formerly the Nazi Gau (province) Press Section leader.

Agents' Notes: SUBJECT is somewhat of a controversial personality due to his Nazi background, his present affiliation with (Erich Kernmayr) and the Gmunden Circle, his close contact with the Hostl group as evidenced by his intimate knowledge of the group, and his influential position in the Socialist Party as evidenced by the support given him by Socialist leaders during his controversy with General-Director Hitzinger of VOeST, also an influential Socialist personality. It is interesting to note that SUBJECT also has personal contact with firm Haselgruber whose owner, Johann Haselgruber, in a recent telephone conversation with Ing. Scholz, described as head of the VOeST Sales Department, threatened Hitzinger, through Scholz, with unpleasant consequences if VOeST did not meet the Haselgruber firm's demands for material, even to the extent of a direct appeal by Haselgruber employees to the Waldbrunner Ministry.

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